

HOUSE BILL 3457

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6 and Title 68, Chapter 102, relative to transferring the bomb and arson section from the department of commerce and insurance to the Tennessee bureau of investigation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1.

(a) The bomb and arson section within the fire prevention division of the department of commerce and insurance is hereby transferred to the Tennessee bureau of investigation.

(b) It is the intention of the general assembly that personnel, equipment, funding, duties, authority, and property transferred on the effective date of this act be transferred no later than January 1, 2013.

(c) The director of the Tennessee bureau of investigation shall develop and present a transfer plan. Such plan shall set forth the procedures under which transferred employees will be incorporated into the bureau. All bomb and arson section commissioned personnel that are transferred to the Tennessee bureau of investigation shall retain their current civil service status.

(d) All bomb and arson section commissioned personnel that are transferred to the Tennessee bureau of investigation shall retain their retirement benefits, annual and sick leave, participation in any deferred compensation plan, eligibility for health and accident insurance, longevity pay, sick leave banks, bereavement leave, and all other such benefits.

(e) It is the intent of the general assembly that the director of the Tennessee bureau of investigation shall have full authority to resolve any questions or disputes relative to issues surrounding the transfer of employees affected by this act.

SECTION 2. All rules and regulations governing the bomb and arson section promulgated by the department of commerce and insurance in effect on the effective date of this section shall be transferred to the Tennessee bureau of investigation, and assigned an appropriate new control number by the secretary of state, and shall remain in full force and effect until modified or repealed by the Tennessee bureau of investigation. The bureau may promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act.

SECTION 3. For the purposes of promulgating rules and regulations, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes this act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.